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E.O. 11652: GDS

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1. BISENGIMANA CALLED ME THIS MORNING TO SAY THAT HE WAS PLEASED WITH CONVERSATION THAT NETTLES AND GUARDIANO HAD WITH PEMBELE IN WHICH THEY REQUESTED GOZ PRIORITIES FOR ITEMS TO BE FINANCED BY PROSPECTIVE EXIM BANK LOAN. HE THEN STATED THAT GOZ HAS AN URGENT NEED FOR RICE AS "ITS SUPPLY HAS BEEN RUPTURED." I REPLIED THAT BY COINCIDENCE I HAD A CABLE IN FRONT OF ME INSTRUCTING ME TO INFORM HIM THAT THE CCC WAS PREPARED TO CONSIDER A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15 MILLION FOR THE IMPORTATION OF RICE, WHEAT, TALLOW AND TOBACCO. I ADDED THAT NETTLES AND GUARDIANO WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH PEMBELE TO DISCUSS DETAILS. BISEGIMANA EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THIS NEWS AND STATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO DELAY BY THE GOZ IN MAKING A FORMAL REQUEST FOR A CCC CREDIT.

2. SHORTLY AFTER NETTLES AND GUARDIANO LEFT TO SEE PEMBELE, I WAS CONTACTED BY METHVEN WHO HAD JUST RECEIVED THROUGH HIS CONTACT A MESSAGE FROM MOBUTU STATING THAT BISENGIMANA WOULD BE IN CONFIDENTIAL

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TOUCH WITH ME TO REQUEST OUR ASSISTANCE IN FINANCING THE

IMPORTATION OF VARIOUS ITEMS. ACCORDING TO METHVEN'S SOURCE, THE ITEMS WHICH THE GOZ DESIRES IN ORDER OF PRIORITY FOLLOW: RICE, CORN, PHARMACEUTICALS, MEAT (FROZEN AND CHILLED), FUEL, SUGAR, POWDERED AND LIQUID MILK, TOMATO PASTE.

3. SEPARATE CABLE WITH DATA CONCERNING WHEAT AND RICE IMPORTS FOLLOWS. WALKER

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